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In re application of :

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Attn: BOX MISSING PARTS

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WAVEFORM EQUALIZATION CONTROLLER
AND WAVEFORM EQUALIZATION
CONTROL METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 38, line 13, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figures 18(a)-18(b) are diagrams for explaining the operation of the waveform equalization controller according to the ninth embodiment of the present invention.--

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